



## SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

*Serving God's People and building His Kingdom since 1891*

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Bible Studies: Mondays 8:30AM; 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays 8:30AM (FMI: Virginia Lee)

Holy Rosary: 30 minutes before every Holy Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5:15-5:45PM/Thursday 4:30-5:30PM during Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday 4:00-5:45 PM concluding with Benediction

Healing Mass: First Thursday of every month

Baptism: Class Required/Darve Horak 512-859-2646 or [darve.horak@gmail.com](mailto:darve.horak@gmail.com)

Marriage: Meet with Pastor six months in advance to set date.

Marriage Prep required/Darve & Karen Horak 512-859-2646 or [darve.horak@gmail.com](mailto:darve.horak@gmail.com)

Quinceanera: Religious Education Attendance and Instruction required.

**Pastor: Very Rev. Chris Ferrer**

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Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

### 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 25, 2015

Saturday Oct. 24	6:00 PM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Sunday Oct. 25	10:00AM	† Frank & Annie Vrana; † Jerry & Cecilia Pavlat; † Joseph & Donna Poplawski; † Lorraine Remmert
Tuesday Oct. 27	8:00 AM	† Patrick Hajda; † Joe, Paul, Louise Elizabeth Michalka
Wed Oct. 28	6:00 PM	† Emil & Martha Bohac (Fr. Tom)
Thurs Oct. 29	4:00 PM	Adoration/Liturgy of the Hours/Benediction
	6:00 PM	† Germilla & John Pavlasek; † Alice Taisler (Fr. Tom)
Friday Oct. 30	8:00 AM	† Pete, Emil, Agnes & Christine Cmerek
Saturday Oct. 31	6:00 PM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Sunday Nov. 1	10:00AM	† Germilla Pavlasek; † Liberty & Henry Bartosh; † Alfred Vrana; † Betty & Delvin Huser

**After Mass: Rosary & Blessing of Graves-Calvary followed by Holy Cross**

*We pray for Healing:* Rudy Bohac, Nina Ash, Susan Steffek, Lee Gaydos, William Pedroza, Sharon Long, Ethel Martinka, Dennis Montgomery, George Remerdo, Robert Degollado, Nicole Geil, Linda Mazoch Dlouhy, Bernice Vrabel, Cecilia Stefek, Brianna Rivera, Alice Hajda, Shirley Volek, Josh Hughes, Edwin Matysek, Annie Vanek, Liz Vrana. \*

Congratulations to newlyweds, Antonio & Siomara Lizardo.

Offering: Sunday: \$3,888.00

Children: \$16.00

Missions: \$845.00

**Liturgical Ministers** October 31-November 1

Saturday 6PM	Lector: Terry Lee Pekar/Lawrence Novak	Servers: Nicholas & William Novak
	Music: Traditional Choir	EMHC: Henrietta Hajda, Doc Pekar, Lawrence Novak, Beatrice Perez
Sunday 10AM	Lector: Wendy White/Darve Horak	Servers: Kurt Kaderka, Dwayne Gaida
	Music: Kathy Janke	EMHC: Mark & Wendy White, Baldo & Rosa Degollado

Route EMHC: Carolyn Kaderka, Marilyn Gaydos, Mary Pavlat, Bill Pavlat

RE Store: 6PM: Kate Strmiska 10AM: Rita Marburger

**Baby Banks:** Please remember to return your Baby Banks this week. Thank you for your commitment to Life!

**Flowers:** (Main) In honor of Respect Life

### *Calendar of Events*

Sunday	Oct. 25	: 11AM Turkey and Dressing Dinner /2PM KC Bingo
Tuesday	Oct. 27	: 5PM bingo kitchen—enchiladas, nachos and Frito Pies
Wednesday	Oct. 28	: 7PM Religious Education
Sunday	Nov. 1	: 11:30AM KJT bingo kitchen—hamburgers/2PM KC Bingo
		: 11:30AM Calvary Cemetery Blessing followed by Holy Cross Cemetery

**Turkey & Dressing Dinner** - Today, Sunday, October 25th, starting @ 11:00 A.M. Come out and enjoy a good meal and help out by working a shift. Dine in and enjoy the entertainment from 11:00 - 12:30 by our own local talent, Ronnie Steffek & Arthur Palla. The Drive Thru line is also available.

**A 3-hour Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM) Basic Workshop** on child sexual abuse will be held *Nov. 2 at 6:30 in the School*. This workshop is part of the diocesan EIM policies that were adopted in January 2002 and revised in August 2008. All clergy and paid staff, and all volunteers working with youth and vulnerable adults, at any parish or diocesan location, are required to complete a one-time Application for Ministry prior to beginning their work/service and attend an EIM workshop within 60 days of submitting the application. Please login to your EIM account (use the Alternate Login option if needed) to pre-register to attend an EIM workshop. Please do not bring children to an EIM workshop. Materials used in the workshop include testimonies from victims and perpetrators of sexual abuse; if you have any concerns regarding your attendance at a workshop, please contact Emily Hurlimann at [\(512\) 949-2447](tel:5129492447) to make an alternative arrangement to receive your training. Such inquiries shall remain confidential.

### *Parish*

**All Souls Day** envelopes are available at the entrances. Please return them no later than Sunday, November 1.

**Blessing of the Graves** will be immediately after the 10AM Mass November 1. A Rosary will be recited at both beginning at Calvary then Holy Cross. All Souls Day Mass will be at 8AM Monday, November 2.

**Cemetery Clean Up:** Please remember to remove old flowers and remembrances from your loved ones graves. If you are not under perpetual care you are obligated to clean your graves especially those that have curbing. Please take all trash to your own receptacles; do not leave it at the cemetery. Thank you for your kind consideration in this matter as we try to have a beautiful resting place for our loved ones. **We are under a burn ban so no burning candles are allowed.**

**Save the Date:** Parish Kolache Bake will be held November 21. Work list and order information will be coming soon.

### *Religious Education*

**Festival of Saints:** Join us as we celebrate our Saints on November. 4 at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall. We will begin with the rosary at 7:00PM than follow with the Festival of Saints. All are welcomed to attend. If you would like to volunteer, email Virginia at [sscmre@gmail.com](mailto:sscmre@gmail.com) or call [512-859-2634](tel:5128592634).

### *Area Events*

**“Men’s ACTS Retreat Opportunity:** Santa Rosa de Lima parish in Andice is sponsoring a men’s ACTS retreat November 12-15, 2015. This is a great opportunity to move toward a closer relationship with God. Please call any of the directors listed below for more information and to sign up. Director – Sam Ramirez [512-809-9578](tel:5128099578) Co-Director – Martin Ramirez [512-508-0467](tel:5125080467) Co-Director – David Ramirez [254-702-6362](tel:2547026362)” Flyer in Foyer of the church.

**Holy Trinity Parish in Corn Hill will host a Parish Mission the week of Oct. 25 – 29** entitled “Why Be Catholic? – Renewal in Christ Our Savior.” Father Ken Geraci of the Fathers of Mercy will be the presenter. During the mission, Father Geraci will challenge participants to make a stronger, deeper, personal commitment to Christ and his church. The event schedule is Oct. 25: Confessions at 6 p.m.; Mission at 7 p.m.; Oct. 26: Confessions at 6 p.m.; light meal from 6-6:45 p.m. and Mission at 7 p.m.; Oct. 27: Confessions at 6 p.m.; light meal from 6-6:45 p.m. and Mission at 7 p.m.; Oct. 28: Confessions at 5:30 p.m.; light meal from 5:30-6:15 p.m. and Mission at 6:30 p.m.; Oct. 29: Confessions at 6 p.m.; Mass and Mission at 7 p.m. followed by closing reception. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Our Lady of the Rosary Cemetery** in Georgetown will host the annual All Soul's Day Mass Nov. 2 at 4 p.m. at St. Helen Parish in Georgetown. Father Sang Quan will celebrate the Mass, after which participants are invited to Our Lady of the Rosary Cemetery where the burial sites will be blessed, wildflower seeds will be scattered and soul cakes and other refreshments will be shared. For more information, visit [www.olotr.com](http://www.olotr.com) or call [\(512\) 863-8411](tel:5128638411).

### *ROAR II Progress Report ~ We are 92% of the way there! Make your pledge today!*

103 of 400+ parish families have answered the call. Pledge cards are available by the Church Rendition in the foyer.

Thank you and may God bless you abundantly. You may drop your pledge/payments in the collection basket.

Pledged: \$106,765.00 [Paid as of October 23, 2015: \$61,880.00] 57 Pledges Paid in Full

Fundraisers thus far: \$21,165.30 Memorials and Donations: \$9,470.00 \$150,000-137,400.30=\$12,599.70 needed to reach our goal

### *Message from Our Pastor*

In today's gospel, some elements of living as a follower of Christ are represented in the story of the healing of the blind man.

EXEGESIS:

Mark does something rare in this gospel; he names the person whom Jesus heals. The blind man, Bartimaeus, is also the first person in the gospels to call Jesus "Son of David," a synonym for "Messiah." Bartimaeus "throws aside his cloak," probably the one he was using to collect coins from passers-by. Like some others who were cured, it is the faith of Bartimaeus which prompts Jesus to heal him. Mark's readers will see the symbolism of this blind man receiving sight (= spiritual insight because of his faith), discarding his cloak (= abandoning his worldly possessions), and following Jesus "on the way" (= a term used in early Christianity to mean the Christian lifestyle of discipleship).